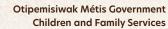
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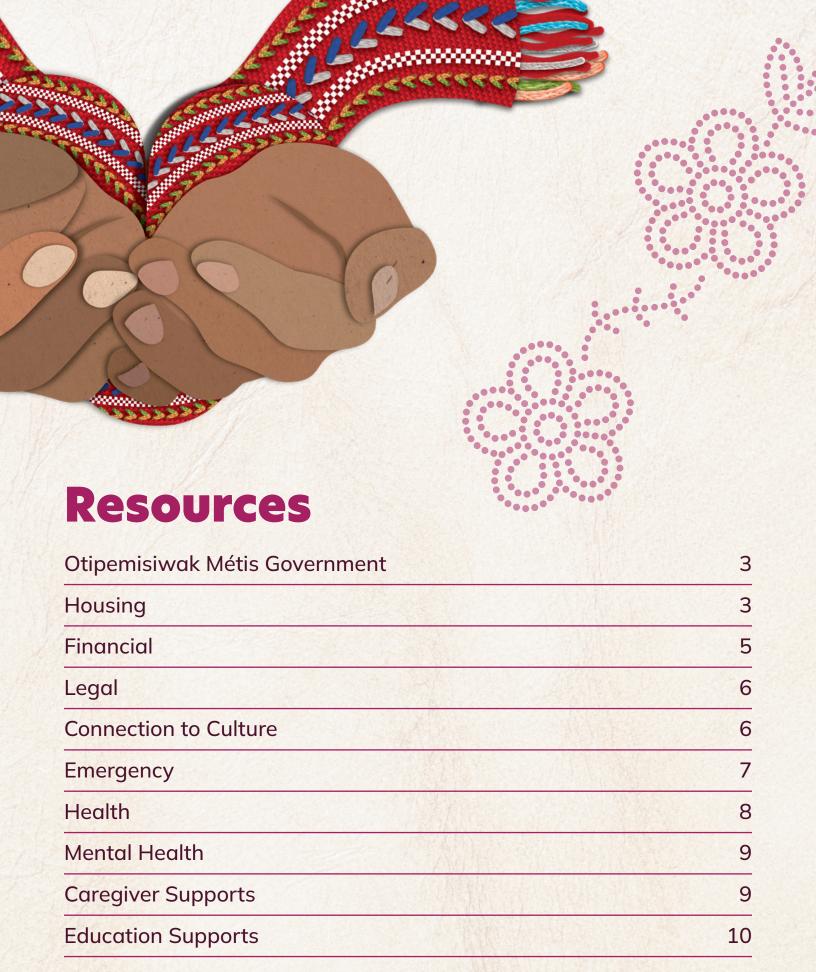
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# Otipemisiwak Métis Government



#### **Our Website**

Check out our website to stay up to date on all programs and services. https://albertametis.com/



# **Supports and Services Navigator**

The Supports and Services Navigator helps to direct Métis Albertans to various programs, supports, and resources appropriate to their specific needs. The SSN can provide advocacy and guidance to Métis Albertans as they navigate services to ensure appropriate supports and resources are being accessed. SSN@metis.org



# **Métis Family Resource Program**

The Métis Family Resource Program works hand in hand with our Métis community and Children Services to ensure Métis children are connected to their Nation, and are rooted in their inherent rights, distinct cultural identity, rich history, and vibrant community.

MFRP@metis.org



# **FASD Bridging Connections**

Rooted in Métis culture and traditional values, this person-centered program serves Métis Albertans of all ages with FASD. We facilitate connections to Métis culture and community, FASD networks, assessments, and various services to meet the goals of the individual and their family.

FASD@metis.org

# Housing

**Métis Housing** 

1-877-458-8684



# **Mortgage Assistance**

The Métis Capital Housing Corporation offers up to \$5,000 in mortgage assistance to successful applicants.

https://www.metishousing.ca/programs/housing-programs/mortgage-assistance/



# **Reaching Home**

The Métis Capital Housing Corporation offers support to those facing homelessness and eviction, including short-term rentals, and financial, social, and medical resources.

https://www.metishousing.ca/programs/housing-programs/reaching-home/



## **Subsidized Housing**

The Métis Capital Housing Corporation offers subsidized housing to keep the cost of housing as affordable as possible.

https://www.metishousing.ca/housing/subsidized/



# **Affordable Housing**

The Métis Capital Housing Corporation offers rental properties at affordable rates to successful applicants.

https://www.metishousing.ca/housing/affordable/



## **Senior Housing**

The Métis Capital Housing Corporation offers seniors' rental properties at the Renaissance Tower in Edmonton.

https://www.metishousing.ca/housing/seniors/



# **Alberta Affordable Housing Programs**

The Government of Alberta subsidizes housing to ensure Albertans have housing options they can afford that meet their needs. There are four types of housing available:

Community housing

Seniors' lodges

Seniors' apartments

Special needs housing

https://www.alberta.ca/affordable-housing-programs



# Indigenous Housing First - Native Counselling Services of Alberta

Providing no more than 12 months of continuous supports, this program aims at helping Indigenous people become stabilized and move towards a reduced level of support from a Navigator who walks alongside them in their journey. <a href="https://www.ncsa.ca/programs/indigenous-housing-first-edmonton">https://www.ncsa.ca/programs/indigenous-housing-first-edmonton</a>



# **Financial**



# **Alberta Child Care Subsidy**

The Government of Alberta offers families child care subsidies to help cover the cost of child care for successful applicants.

https://www.alberta.ca/child-care-subsidy



#### **Canada Child Benefit**

The Government of Canada provides tax-free monthly payments to assist families with costs associated with raising children. https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/child-familybenefits/canada-child-benefit-overview.html



# **Canada Child Disability Benefit**

The Government of Canada provides tax-free monthly payments to families of children with severe or prolonged physical or mental disabilities.

https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/ tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/disability-tax-credit.html



## **Canada Dental Benefit**

The Government of Canada provides financial assistance to reduce dental costs for eligible families.

https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/child-family-benefits/ dental-benefit.html



# **Income Support**

Support for individuals and families to pay for basic living costs and other necessities.

https://www.alberta.ca/income-support



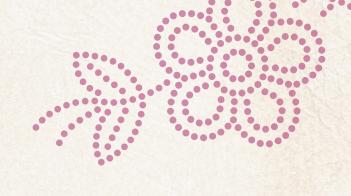
# Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH)

https://www.alberta.ca/aish



# **Apeetogosan**

https://www.apeetogosan.com/



# Legal



# **Edmonton Community Legal Centre**

A nonprofit agency that provides free legal services to those in Edmonton and Northern Alberta.

780-702-1725

https://www.eclc.ca/



# Edmonton Community Legal Centre - Grande Prairie Location

A nonprofit agency that provides free legal services to those in Northern Alberta.

780-882-0036

https://www.eclc.ca/



# Calgary Legal Guidance

A nonprofit organization dedicated to providing free legal guidance to those who do not have access to paid services.

403-234-9266

https://clg.ab.ca/



# **Lethbridge Legal Guidance Society**

This society provides free legal assistance, information, and advocacy to individuals experiencing financial difficulties who need legal services and representation and who do not qualify for legal aid.

403-380-6338

https://www.lethbridgelegalguidance.ca/



# **Medicine Hat Legal Help Centre**

This centre provides free legal information and advice to people with low-tomoderate income who have a legal issue but do not qualify for legal aid.

403-712-1021

https://www.mhlhc.ca/

# Connection to Culture



#### **Métis Crossing**

Visit the historic Métis Crossing to share Métis stories and engage in cultural activities.

https://metiscrossing.com/





# **FASD Caregiver Connect Nights**

Our online support group is a warm and friendly space, grounded in Métis values of respect, sharing, caring, courage, and kindness. Meet new friends and learn new tips to help you celebrate strengths and navigate the challenges of FASD.



# **Community Information Sessions**

Bi-monthly information sessions that cover a broad range of topics to increase awareness and knowledge among our citizens.

https://albertametis.com/programs-services/children-family-services/ community-information-sessions/



# **Métis Mingles**

In-person, free workshops that become the building blocks for family, wellbeing, and culture.

https://albertametis.com/event/metis-mingle-building-blocks-for-family-wellbeing-and-culture/

# **Emergency**



#### **Food Bank**

Food banks provide families with food hampers to help with short-term food needs. Hampers typically last five to seven days and include a variety of items to help with food insecurity.

https://foodbanksalberta.ca/



# **Emergency Food Benefit**

The Alberta Emergency Food Benefit provides money to Albertans to help with the cost of food. The benefit will be sent by an Interac e-transfer to successful applicants. https://emergencybenefits.alberta.ca/



# **Emergency Financial Assistance**

The Government of Alberta offers funding partnerships to support social services programming in communities.

https://www.alberta.ca/emergency-financial-assistance



#### Find a Shelter

https://www.alberta.ca/find-shelters

# Health

#### **MNA Health**

A variety of health programs that include dental clinics, partnerships with the University of Alberta School of Dentistry, the Community Wellness Advocate for mental health supports, and the Opioid Wrap Around Support program.



#### **Alberta Health Services**

Alberta Health Services provides health services all throughout Alberta. For more information, or to find a specific service provided by Alberta Health Services, go to: <a href="https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/findhealth/Search.">https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/findhealth/Search.</a> aspx?type=service#icon\_banner

## **Indigenous Patient Navigator**

This facility-based Indigenous cultural support program provides service to First Nations (Status and Non-Status), Métis, and Inuit clients and their families, to help them feel comfortable in hospital, make referrals, provide advocacy, and help plan and support a client's discharge from hospital. For more information, contact your local hospital and see if there is an Indigenous Patient Navigator available to support you and your family.

# **AHS Indigenous Support Line**

This support line is for First Nation, Métis, and Inuit people living in Alberta, and can assist them on their health care journey.

1-844-944-4744



# **Alberta Indigenous Virtual Care Clinic**

Indigenous Albertans can call to book a medical appointment with one of the doctors, and receive diagnostic, referral, prescription, requisition, and mental health services.

1-888-342-4822 https://aivcc.ca/



#### **Smiles 4 Canada**

This program helps provide orthodontic treatment to deserving young Canadians from low-income families who wouldn't be able to afford it otherwise. Applicants must be between 7 and 14 years old.

https://www.smiles4canada.ca/

# Mental Health

## **Kids Help Phone**

A 24/7 confidential service that provides mental health support to youth.

Call 1-800-668-6868 or text 686868

# **AHS Mental Health Helpline**

A 24/7 confidential service that provides support, information, and referrals to Albertans experiencing mental health concerns.

1-877-303-2642



# **Indigenous Hope for Wellness Helpline**

A 24/7 crisis helpline with experienced and culturally competent counsellors.

1-855-242-3310

Online chat services: www.hopeforwellness.ca

#### 9-8-8

A 24/7 suicide crisis helpline

Call or text 9-8-8

#### **Edmonton Distress Line**

A 24/7 crisis helpline

780-482-4357

# **Calgary Distress Line**

A 24/7 crisis helpline

403-266-4357

#### **Southern Alberta Distress Line**

A 24/7 crisis helpline

403-327-7905

# Caregiver Supports



# **Caregivers Alberta**

Website with links for resources for caregivers in Alberta. https://www.caregiversalberta.ca/resources/printable-resources/



# **Caregiver Connections**

Mental health supports for caregivers.

<a href="https://alberta.cmha.ca/what-we-do/cmha-in-albertas-projects/caregiverconnections/">https://alberta.cmha.ca/what-we-do/cmha-in-albertas-projects/caregiverconnections/</a>



# **El Caregiving Benefits**

Information on the types of El supports for families having to take time off for someone who is critically ill.

https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/ei/caregiving.html



## Office of the Public Guardian and Trustee

Assists people with a variety of services, information, and resources to help with guardianship, trusteeship, assessments, etc.

https://www.alberta.ca/opgt-supports



# **Alberta Foster and Kinship Association**

https://www.afkaonline.ca/resources/foster-and-kinship-caregiver-resources/

# **Education Supports**



**Rupertsland Institute** 

https://www.rupertsland.org



# **Métis Scholarships**

https://albertametis.com/programs-services/education-scholarships/



# **Advancing Futures Bursary**

https://www.alberta.ca/advancing-futures







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